

# **Stagecoach Wreck Injures 10 in Bronx**

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Ten persons, including three children, were injured yesterday when a stagecoach overturned at Freedomland in the Bronx.

The accident occurred at 5:30 P. M. as the steel-bodied vehicle was passing through an underpass below the "Santa Fe" railroad. According to a security officer, the four horses pulling the coach apparently were startled by the locomotive's whistle.

The horses jerked the vehicle and the left rear wheel slipped onto the soft shoulder of the road. According to the driver, George Donahue, 23 years old, of 769 East 224th Street, the Bronx, the stagecoach was going "at little more than a walk." However, the wheel spokes collapsed and the coach turned over on its side.

There were fourteen persons, including the driver, aboard. The

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injured were identified as:

Jack White, 48; his wife, Elizabeth, 47, and their daughter, Nancy, 9, all of 3288 Oak Knoll Drive, Cleveland.

Leo Rosskamm, 42, and his wife, Anne, also 42, of 115 Bennett Avenue, the Bronx.

Mrs. Edith Koffman, 51, of 638 West Park Street, Dorchester, Mass.

Frank DeFulvio, 33, and his wife, Helen, 29, of 1188 Waring Avenue, the Bronx.

Dorothy Fuller, 8, and her sister, Anne, 6, of 656 East Thirty-seventh Street, Brooklyn.

The Fuller children were treated at Jacobi Hospital for superficial injuries. Mrs. DeFulvio was admitted after X-

rays showed her spine had been fractured. Mrs. White and Mrs. Rosskamm were reported to have suffered fractured ribs. The five others were bruised and shaken.

Jacobi Hospital sent two ambulances to the amusement park.

The incident took place during a nine-minute ride that costs 40 cents. The stagecoach can carry fifteen persons, including the driver and a companion who "rides shotgun."

The ride was closed after the accident.

George M. Trumberger, 33, a free-lance photographer of 2851 Lawton Avenue, the Bronx, asserted he had taken a picture of the overturned coach, but had been forced to expose the film. He said park employees told him his camera would be smashed if he did not. Mr. Trumberger said he then was ejected from the park.

Ed Weiner, public relations director for Freedomland, denied the incident.

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